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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicant acknowledges receipt of an Office Action dated 02/17/2005. Also filed simultaneously herewith is a petition and fee for a 2 month extension within which to file this Amendment and Response.

Applicant responds to the Examiner's concerns as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8A)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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